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GULF OF MEXICO FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL CANCELS JOINT MEETING OF THE REEF FISH MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AND ARTIFICIAL REEF COMMITTEE

NOAA Fisheries announces that the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) has cancelled a joint meeting of its Reef Fish Management Committee and Artificial Reef Committee that was scheduled on Wednesday, November 13, 2002, at the Westin Beach Resort, 97000 South Overseas Highway, Key Largo, Florida. The meeting had been scheduled to allow the committees to consider whether the Council should hold workshops in the future to discuss with the public establishing Special Management Zones (SMZs) off Alabama where the number of hooks fished per line may be limited. Mr. Wayne Swingle, Council Executive Director, indicated this issue would be deferred to a subsequent meeting.

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